A Second Species of the Hymenopterous Genus Odontophyes Konow (Xyelinae).

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Odontophyes ferruginea n. sp.

Q. 11.5 mm. Length of wing, 12 mm. Dull ferruginous, the following parts more or less infuscated: eyes, indefinite spot over ocelli, a pair of lateral indefinite spots in front of this, anterior lobe of mesonotum, lateral lobes along the sutures and behind, the lateral spot extending over upon the sides of the scutellum, metanotum, basal plate, two large spots upon second dorsal abdominal segment, the five succeeding dorsal segments excepting their lateral and posterior margins, the latter being extended forward with each side into a light spot nearly enclosed by the dark color.

These parts yellowish: basal joint, antennæ and the nine small terminal joints, clypeus and face above to insertion of antennæ, anterior and posterior orbits, labrum, mandibles except apex, the other mouth parts, tegulæ, summits of coxæ, trochanters, anterior and middle femora and tibiæ in front, base and extreme apex of hind femora, basal half of hind tibiæ, hind tibiæ and the venter of the abdomen.

Wings yellowish hyaline, the nervures and stigma brown.

The markings of the thorax and posterior regions of the head are indefinite and the colors run into each other. The bands upon the posterior legs are particularly distinct.

Described from one Q specimen in the author's collection taken by him at Baldwin, Kansas, in April, upon the flowers of the early shrub willow.

This species agrees perfectly with Konow's characterization of the genus. From the only species hitherto known *O. aviingrata* Dyar, the ferruginous ground color sufficiently distinguishes it, Dr. Dyar's species being described as steel blue. *Odontophyes aviingrata* was described in Psyche 8:213, 1898, as a species of *Pleuroneura* and the genus was erected by Konow (Wien. Ent. Zeit. 18:41, 1899) for its reception. Our species must resemble rather closely *Megaxyela major* Cresson, but differs by the generic characters. The genera *Megaxyela*, *Odontophyes* and *Pleuroneura* are very closely related and careful collecting may reveal intermediates.